

## BARRAGE DELAYED 6 MONTHS

### Mining North Sea Opposed by Admiral Sims.

Washington, May 14—A counter charge that establishment of the north sea mine barrage was delayed six months because of the opposition of Rear Admiral Sims and the British Admiralty, was made before the Senate Naval Investigating Committee today by Secretary Daniels in presenting the second part of his reply to the officers' charges that the navy department had unnecessarily prolonged the war through failure to co-operate fully at first with allied naval forces.

The barrage, Mr. Daniels said, was the most effective measure then available to check the submarines and was wholly an American idea.

The secretary also charged that Sims had attempted in his testimony to rob the navy of credit for this project and to give it to the British.

The plan was conceived, he said, in the bureau of ordnance at the Navy Department and urged on the British Admiralty for six months before it was accepted. During this time, Admiral Sims constantly discouraged and opposed the idea, he added, and when Admiral Mayo was sent abroad and finally convinced the admiralty of the worth of the scheme and the necessity for adopting it, Admiral Sims attempted to convey the impression the project had been delayed while the British attempted to get the American Navy Department's approval.

"Admiral Sims attempted to rob America and the United States navy of the credit for initiating this great achievement and to give you the impression that it was a British plan which our navy merely assisted in carrying out, though it originated in the navy department, was proposed and urged by us for half a year before we could induce the British Admiralty to approve it, and although four-fifths of it was composed of American money, designed and constructed in America and transported 2,400 miles overseas and laid by American vessels," Mr. Daniels told the committee.

## DEMAND LEASE BE RENEWED

### Firm Starts Fight For Possession of Premises.

The second case on trial before Judge Howard J. Curtis in the Superior Court today was *Goldie Clothes Shop, Inc., against Samuel Silver and others*. The plaintiff demands that the defendants be compelled to execute a lease to them of the premises they now occupy for five years from Aug. 1, 1918, and also an injunction against the prosecution of a writ of summary process, which is now pending before Justice of the Peace Edward J. McManus.

The property at Golden Hill and Main streets now occupied by the plaintiff, was formerly owned by the Armstrong family who leased it to Hayes, the fish man, Hayes sublet to the Goldie people by a lease which contained an agreement that the plaintiff might renew the lease during the life of his lease, or for five years from Aug. 1, 1918.

The property was sold to Levine, one of the defendants, and he claimed to execute the renewal and claimed that Hayes' lease from Armstrong contained a provision that the lease might be terminated on the payment of a graduated amount at any time during its existence.

The plaintiffs claim to have taken advantage of this clause and that they have paid Hayes and thereby terminated the lease.

Cullman & Cullman appear for the plaintiff and DeForest & Klein and Fullman & Comley for the defendants.

## MORRIS MAY RESIGN.

Honolulu, May 11—(By A. P.)—According to the Tokio correspondent of the Honolulu Advertiser, it is reported that Roland S. Morris, United States Ambassador to Japan, intends resigning in the near future to participate in the presidential election in the United States.

## BITTER CONTEST OVER PLATFORM FOR 1920

New York, May 11—A bitter contest over the adoption of the party platform was promised today when the national convention of the socialist party was reconvened. The Illinois delegation, which yesterday characterized the tentative platform presented by Morris Hillquit as too moderate, announced its intention of submitting a substitute platform which would be similar to the radical programs of the Socialists in Germany, Russia, Italy and France.

William P. Kruse of Chicago, declared that the substitute platform would do away with "useless words and phrases" in the Hillquit draft. He said the Hillquit document would put the socialist party in the list of "trying to become too respectable" and that it might just as well be the platform of the Democratic or Republican party.

## WAR INSTRUCTIONS TO ATLANTIC FLEET

Washington, May 11—President Wilson's hitherto unpublished war instructions to the officers of the Atlantic fleet, given in person on the quarter deck of the flagship Pennsylvania on August 11, 1917, and bidding them "throw tradition to the wind," strike the word "prudent" from their vocabularies and "do the thing that is audacious to the utmost point of risk and daring," were made public here today by Secretary Daniels.

The President spoke as commander-in-chief of the navy and at a time when the German submarine menace was uncurbed. In laying the text of his remarks before the Senate Naval Investigating Committee, Secretary Daniels said they showed the "bold and vigorous" policy the President had outlined for the navy.

"Do not stop to think what is prudent for a moment," the President said. "You will win by the audacity of method when you cannot win by circumspection and prudence."

"I think that there are willing ears to hear this in the American navy and the American army, because that is the kind of folk we are."

"There will have to come a new tradition into a service which does not do new and audacious and successful things."

The President also expressed his dissatisfaction with progress then being made toward crushing the submarine campaign.

"We are hunting hornets all over the farm and letting the nest alone," he said. "I am willing, for my part, and I know that you are willing, because I know the stuff you are made of—I am willing to sacrifice half the navy—Great Britain and we together have to crush that nest, because if we crush it the war is won."

The British admiralty had met American suggestions with what amounted to statements that "it never had been done," the President said, adding:

"And I felt like saying, 'Well, nothing was ever done so systematically as nothing is being done now.'"

## ELLIS CHOSEN TO HOLD HIGH MASONIC OFFICE

### ASKS DAMAGES FOR INJURIES

Lucas Wants \$10,000 Claiming to Be Permanently Injured.

An action for \$10,000 damages for personal injuries brought by Walter S. Hawley against James L. Lucas is being tried today by Judge Howard J. Curtis in the Superior court.

The plaintiff alleges that on June 25, 1916 while he was crossing Fairfield avenue between Norman and Sherwood avenues he was run down by a truck owned and operated by Lucas, and he received a number of injuries including a compound fracture of the left leg.

He was confined in the hospital until Sept. 25, 1916 and was unable to perform his duties as superintendent for the W. H. Smith & Co., builders, until March, 1917. He also claims that he is permanently injured. Beardsley & Beardsley appear for the plaintiff and Edward J. McManus for the defendant.

## AUTOS FATAL TO COLLINS FAMILY

The case of Sadie Collins of Norwalk who brought an action for \$10,000 against Bishop & Lynde for the death of her only son John T. Collins, by an automobile belonging to the defendants, was settled out of court and was stricken from the calendar today in the Superior Court.

Automobiles have played a sanguinary part in the life history of Mrs. Collins. Nine months before her son was killed her husband was also killed by an automobile.

Her husband was a chauffeur and while on the state road near Southport was adjusting a new shoe to one of the wheels of the car he was driving, he was run into and killed by an automobile that was speeding along the road.

The automobile which killed him did not stop, and no crew has ever been found by which the occupants could be identified.

Keogh & Candee appeared for the plaintiff and Wilson H. Pierce for the defendant.

## TRY DAMAGE ACTION.

In the Common Pleas court Judge John R. Booth is trying the action of Frank Sudella against Ralph Cavallaro and others for \$1,000 damages for failure to deliver a cargo of flour which had been ordered by the plaintiff and on which he claims to have paid \$50 in advance.

Senator John B. Dillon appears for the plaintiff and Joseph T. Anquillare for New Haven appears for the defendant.

## STORE COLLAPSES NO ONE HURT

Hartford, Conn., April 11—A portion of the department store of the Steiger-Vedder Company on Main street collapsed today and slid into an excavation being made beside it for a new building for the same firm.

About one hundred persons were in the store, but cracking walls gave warning and all got out in safety. Frequent rains are supposed to have loosened the foundations laid bare by the excavation.

Store fixtures and goods went down in the wreck. Damage has not been estimated.

## ELLIS CHOSEN TO HOLD HIGH MASONIC OFFICE

Hartford, May 11—The 122nd annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, Royal Arch Masons, was held today at Masonic Temple.

Grand High Priest Ernest P. Sweeney of Winsted presided. Visitors were present from other states including present and past grand officers from New York and Vermont.

In his address, Grand High Priest Sweeney said most of the chapters in the state were in a healthy and prosperous condition. There were reports by Deputy Grand High Priest Henry R. Tisdale of New London, Grand King Edgar B. Ellis of Bridgeport and Grand Scribe Arthur N. Nash of Westbury.

The following officers were elected: Grand High Priest, Henry R. Tisdale, New London.

Deputy Grand High Priest, Edgar B. Ellis, Bridgeport.

Grand King, Arthur N. Nash, Westbury.

Grand Scribe, F. Ward DeKlyn, Danbury.

Grand Treasurer, Isiah Baker, Jr., Hartford.

Grand Secretary, George A. Kies, Hartford.

Grand Captain of the Host, William O. Shelley, Hartford.

Grand Principal, John J. Bowers, New Haven.

Grand Royal Arch Captain—Elbert L. Darbie, Danbury.

Grand Trustees—John O. Rowland, Wallingford; Louis L. Beach, Bristol; Eugene A. Hall, Meriden.

The appointments for the year were:

Grand Chaplain—Rev. Samuel Sutcliffe, New Britain.

Grand Master Third Veil—Herbert R. Kind, Norwich.

Grand Master Second Veil—Harry A. Day, Meriden.

Grand Master First Veil—Edward A. Kiate, Seymour.

Grand Senior Steward—Colin S. Buell, New London.

Grand Junior Steward—Lewis C. Hull, Torrington.

Grand Sentinel—George A. Loomis, Hartford.

Correspondence Committee—Geo. A. Kies, Hartford.

Jurisdiction Committee—Frank W. Beardsley, Shelton; Edward W. Avery, South Windham; Frank P. Tyler, New Haven.

By-Laws Committee—Stephen P. Goodsell, Winsted; George N. Delap, Hartford; Harry S. Pearsons, Bridgeport.

New Castle, County Down, Ireland, May 11—American women golfers participating in the British Women's Championship Tournament here today secured an even break in the first round of match play.

Mrs. C. H. Vanderbeck of Philadelphia and Miss Marion Wallins of Westbrook, L. I., defeated their opponents, while Miss Mildred Caverly of Philadelphia and Miss Rosamond Sherwood of Long Island were eliminated by English entrants.

Mrs. Vanderbeck defeated Miss Ames of Poikestone, 4 and 3; Miss Hollins won from Mrs. Cruise, of Walton Heath, 3 up; Miss A. C. MacKenzie of Toronto, Canada, defeated Miss Caverly, 2 up, and Miss Molly Griffiths won from Miss Sherwood on the 14th green.

Miss Sherwood, who injured her foot by stepping upon a sharp pointed stake Sunday, was not expected to play but made a plucky attempt to participate, using a cane to relieve the strain on her foot. The handicap proved too great for the American to show her best form.

## WANT WARSHIP SENT TO BATUM

Washington, May 1—A resolution requesting President Wilson to send an American warship and marines to Batum on the Black Sea to protect American lives and property at that port and along the railroad to Baku was reported unanimously today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

## Rebels Will Ask U.S. For Recognition

### Movement Inaugurated By Revolutionists.

Washington, May 11—The revolutionary government in Mexico will ask for immediate recognition by the American government.

A movement to this end already has been inaugurated by the revolutionary regime which has its headquarters in the state of Sonora where the revolution first was launched.

New York, May 11—The dreadnought Oshkosh and three destroyers the Herbert, Preble and Ellipse were taking on supplies in the Hudson river early today preparatory to sailing for southern waters as soon as possible. All sailors from the fighting craft were notified last night to report for duty at 8 o'clock this morning.

A contingent of 1,000 marines from Philadelphia will board the Oshkosh there. Marines at the Brooklyn Navy Yard were drilled in campaign outfits today.

## ELLIANO DIES FROM INJURIES

### Jumped in Front of Jitney on Congress St. Bridge.

Joseph Eliano, 13, of 619 East Main street, died early this morning in the Bridgeport hospital from injuries sustained when he was struck by an automobile driven by William Moeh, of 19 Central avenue, Walnut Beach, on the Congress street bridge last night.

It is understood that the Eliano boy jumped off the rear of a trolley car and landed squarely in front of Moeh's jitney "bus." The youngster suffered a punctured right lung, which injury resulted in his death this morning.

Moeh was arrested last night, charged with reckless driving, but this charge was changed to manslaughter, following Eliano's death this morning. A coroner's examination will be held tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. In the City Court today, the case was continued until Saturday.

## HOLD TRUCKMEN IN \$1,000 BOND

### Were Taking Whiskey Consignment Through Streets.

Arrested last night by Patrolman Robert Stowe, as they were transporting a quantity of whiskey through North Main street, on an automobile truck, Andrew Julian of 106 Bell street, and William Kehoe of 1917 Main street, were arraigned before United States Commissioner Hugh J. Lavery, this morning, and held under \$1,000 bonds for a hearing on May 25.

When the men were arrested last night they had in their possession 10 cases and several barrels of whiskey. They stated that they were taking the liquor to Springfield, Mass. All of the cases bore permit stamps. The whiskey was taken to police headquarters last night, but was removed to the federal building today.

## DIDN'T KNOW HE WAS BUYING GAS

Hartford, May 10—Harry W. Walker, the "ice king" of Bridgeport, bought the Greenwood mills in New Hartford early this year and then realized the fact that he also owned the adjacent gas plant. After conducting it for a few months, he found it did not pay and he has now petitioned the public utilities commission for permission to be relieved of the burden of furnishing the New Hartford people with gas.

Mr. Walker paid \$175,000 for the Greenwood mills. He bought the place because there is a large pond on the property and he wanted to harvest ice. Selling ice is his hobby and when he discovered he had also bought a gas plant, he immediately began to take inventory.

The gas part of the Greenwood mills is only worth about \$15,000. It is in such poor condition that Mr. Walker would have to spend about \$50,000 to get it back to normal. He has made up his mind that the demand for gas in New Hartford does not warrant the expenditure of that sum. Since it was announced Sunday that the gas plant would be discontinued, New Hartford people who have been using that fuel for lighting and cooking purposes have begun to look around for something to take its place. There are sixty homes and restaurants that will be affected when the gas plant is closed.

## TRUMBULL REARRESTED

Henry D. Trumbull, of 911 Broad street, who escaped from the Cheshire reformatory a short time ago, was arrested this morning and is now being held for the Cheshire authorities. The boy is 18 years of age. He was working in the boiler room of the reformatory at the time of his escape.

## DOUBT CARRANZA MADE PRISONER

### HILLS CLAIMING HEAVY DAMAGES

### Ask \$15,000 as Result of Accident of Bridgeport Derby Line.

The cases of David Hills and Augusta Hills of this city against the Connecticut company for injuries which the plaintiffs received in the head-on collision near Shelton on the Bridgeport-Derby line on October 19, 1919, opened today before Judge F. D. Haines and a jury.

The plaintiffs claim that they were severely injured when the car running from Bridgeport was run into by another coming in the opposite direction on the same track and the husband claims \$10,000 and the wife \$5,000 damages.

The attorney for the defendant admits liability for such injuries as were actually sustained by the plaintiffs but contends that the jury should question before them was the assessment of those damages.

Attorney Greenstein appears for the plaintiffs and S. W. Baldwin for the defendant.

## POLICE TO ACT AS AN ESCORT

### Lodge Delegations Will Also Attend O'Neill Funeral.

A delegation of local policemen will attend the funeral of the late Lieut. James J. O'Neill, which will be held from the late home of the deceased tomorrow morning at 8:30 and at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. The police representation will probably be composed principally of men with whom Lieut. O'Neill was closely associated in his work.

Besides the police escort of 12 men, delegations from the Knights of Columbus, Royal Arcanum and Nathaniel Wheeler camp, Foresters of America will attend the services tomorrow. Active pall bearers will be Sergeant Poland, McGovern, Kehoe, Flynn, Burns and Cassidy of the local police department. Honorary pall bearers are George T. Kelly, George Burns, Fire Chief Thomas Burns, Captain Edward O. Cronan, Attorney Daniel E. Brennan and Superintendent of Police John H. Redgate. In addition, Lieut. O'Neill was the family plot in St. Michael's cemetery.

Police officials received no further information today as to the reasons which led Lieut. O'Neill to take his own life. General despondency over the recent police strike-up and the suspension of Superintendent John H. Redgate is given as one cause. It is certain that Lieut. O'Neill had done nothing which would cast a blemish upon his honor as a man or a police officer.

## NOTED NOVELIST HOWELLS DIES

New York, May 11—William Dean Howells, the novelist, died here today.

Mr. Howells returned a few weeks ago from Savannah, where he had spent the winter. While in the south Mr. Howells was stricken with influenza and never had fully recovered from its effects.

With Mr. Howells at the time of his death which occurred shortly after midnight, were his daughter, Mildred, and his son, William Mead, both of this city. Besides them he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Achille Frechette, translator for the Canadian House of Commons, and Miss Aurelia Howells, also of Ottawa, and a brother, S. D. Howells of Washington.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of the Ascension here tomorrow morning at 10:30 o'clock with Rev. Percy Stickney Grant officiating. Burial will be in Cambridge, Mass., where much of Mr. Howells' literary work was performed.

## CHANGE SIGNALS FOR TUG BOATS

The New York harbor commissioner today changed the signals for tug boats navigating in foggy weather. The old signals for tug when passing each other in a fog with a tow alongside and off the stern was one long whistle and two short. So as to distinguish between a tow alongside and a tow off the stern, a new signal has now been made, one long whistle and three short notes to indicate a tow off the stern. Leaving the old signal one long and two short whistles to show that the tow is alongside.

## PROCLAIM MARTIAL LAW

London, May 11—Martial law has been proclaimed in the city of Linz, on the Danube, capital of Upper Austria, according to a Central News Dispatch from Vienna, dated Monday. The message states the proclamation was issued because of rioting and pillaging, there which had been attended by heavy casualties.

## GET BOYS WHO STOLE AUTOMOBILE

Bridgeport police apprehended five boys who stole a Reo automobile in Hartford, last night, and are now holding the youths for the Hartford police. The boys gave their names as Merritt Bowen, Euclid Crochet, James Conetta, Fred Wagner and Peter Sokits, all of Bristol. They are charged with the theft of an automobile.

## REVOLUTIONISTS CLAIM ENTIRE CONVOY TAKEN WITH PRESIDENT AND THREE GENERALS EXECUTED—REPORTS FRAGMENTARY AND CONFLICTING

(By the Associated Press)

While the advices coming through from Mexico on the revolutionary situation there are fragmentary and conflicting they cast considerable doubts on the reports that President Carranza has been made a prisoner.

A Vera Cruz despatch from the newspaper El Dictamen, a member of The Associated Press, bearing Monday's date, declared the fugitive president of the republic, who was making an effort to reach Vera Cruz, had broken through the revolutionary lines and was standing at bay with 4,000 men at San Marcos, 27 miles north of Puebla.

On the other hand the revolutionary leaders along the border are still claiming that Carranza has been made a captive, naming the place of his capture as a point near Apizaco in the state of Hidalgo. These reports however gave few details of the capture except to declare that the entire convoy had been taken with the president, that three generals who were with him, Generals Murguia, Orquiza and Barraban, had been executed and another general wounded.

It was added that General Carranza had been ordered returned to Mexico City with all consideration and that none of his party was to be killed or mistreated.

It was apparent, however, even presupposing the accuracy of the reports that Carranza is still at liberty, that the situation he finds himself in, according to the various advices, is precarious. It is announced that government troops in Vera Cruz have deserted their commander, General Candido Aguilar, the governor of the state, and gone over to the revolutionaries, making that state apparently no longer a safe refuge for the fugitive president.

In addition, revolutionary forces under Generals Hill and Trevino were reported closing in on Carranza near San Marcos and were on the point of capturing him. Carranza's son-in-law, had lost his life in the fighting with little bloodshed, all advices indicate. It is declared in Mexico City that the object of the revolutionists all along has been to avoid fighting and bring about a peaceful change of government with free elections to be held later. Incidentally it is asserted the revolutionary leaders desired to bring about a change in Mexico's foreign policy looking to the advancement of friendly relations with other powers.

Mexico City despatches report the situation there as quiet with troops of General Obregon in full possession. All Mexico, in fact, with the exception of a few localities, notably the states of Yucatan, Campeche and Chiapas, is declared to be in the hands of the revolutionists.

## WOMEN ARE WATCHING WITH DEEP INDIGNATION

Hartford, May 11—Miss Katharine Ludington, president of the Connecticut Women Suffrage association, said today in commenting on Governor Holcomb's refusal to call a special session of the general assembly to consider ratification of the suffrage amendment:

"It is the men of Connecticut who now should be interviewed in regard to Governor Holcomb's latest statement. Some very serious questions are raised by it. Should the governor's opinion be the only factor in the decision as to whether the legislature shall meet in special session? Is the governor of the state a judge or is he an executive?"

"The women of the state are watching to see what treatment is meted out to them and are watching with deep and growing indignation. We look to the men of Connecticut for action. They are the voters who will place in power at the last election to make good its promises and give us the opportunity to vote for the next President of the United States."

## MAHER ESTATE ABOUT \$150,000

New Haven, May 11—The will of William J. Maher, a retired merchant who was offered for probate today in which the deceased gave to his widow, Mrs. Mattie Bateman Maher, the residence, 1519 Chapel street, with its contents and his automobile together with \$15,000 outright and the income on an additional \$25,000. After her death this \$25,000 is given to his step-son, Jarvis Bateman, who also is given a bequest of \$10,000.

He leaves \$500 to the St. Francis Orphan Asylum, \$500 to the New Haven Orphan Asylum, \$500 to the Little Sisters of the Poor, \$500 to St. Raphael's hospital and \$1,000 to St. Brendan's church.

The balance of his property is given to his mother, Mrs. Joanna Maher, and to his seven brothers, Dr. Stephen J., Frank G., Edward J., Pierce M., Augustine F., Dr. James S., and Frederick J., share and share alike.

The estate is valued at about \$150,000.

## BUCKLEY HELD IN \$1,000 BOND

Following a fight which occurred about 10 o'clock last night in the South avenue railroad yards, Fred L. Allen, a switchman, of 384 Grand street, New Haven, was taken to the Bridgeport hospital suffering from lacerations and bruises, and Edward J. Buckley, of 175 Elm street, was arrested for implication in the assault.

Police had little information on the rumour this morning, but it is understood that Allen was beaten up by someone who had attended a meeting of the "vacationing" railroad men, which was held last night at the corner of South avenue and Main street.

In the City Court this morning, Buckley's case was continued until Thursday, and bonds were fixed at \$1,000. Allen left the hospital today.

Wife—The police won't let that blind peddler stand on the corner any more.

Hubby—Poor man! That's the second time he's lost his site.

## CAFFIN DROPS DEAD IN STREET

### Started For Work This Morning Seemingly In Good Health.

James Caffin, 55, a collector for Caesar Misch, Inc., dropped dead on the street in front of 247 Nichols street at 11:45 today. Caffin lives at 157 Hough avenue, and had been employed as a collector for the past 15 years.

This morning he started out on his work in his usual health apparently. He had made several collections and was walking along the street when he was stricken and collapsed. The Emergency hospital was notified and Dr. Bernard J. Burns responded only to find the man was beyond any medical assistance. Medical Examiner Garlick was notified and pronounced death due to heart trouble. Caffin was married and is survived by his widow.

## SNEAK THIEVES EXTRA ACTIVE

Sneak thieves are doing quite a business in Bridgeport, according to reports of robberies which are being received daily by local police. A Chevrolet touring car owned by Fred Hayden, of Fifth street, was stolen last night from Buckley's garage, in Southport, and the local police have been asked to be on the lookout for the machine.

The plant of the W. F. Smith Manufacturing company, 157 Stratford avenue, was entered Saturday night, and a number of tools were taken. The manager of the Zorway Candy company, 324 East Main street, has reported that a number of boys entered his store immediately after the fire which occurred there Sunday, and made off with some candy.

Thieves secured \$7 when they entered the Park City Picture house, 1176 Stratford avenue, sometime last night. Peter Wedove, a contractor, reported that someone broke into a toolhouse at 276 Bronx avenue, sometime between Saturday noon and Monday morning, and got away with some carpenter's tools. Bonniaw Narceck, of 109 Garden street, reported this morning that thieves entered his home last night, and made off with some clothing, a gold watch, a wedding ring and a stickpin.

## ENGINEERS BACK AT WORK.

Lawrence, Mass., May 11—State engineers in textile plants here who struck last Thursday for a wage increase returned to work today. While it was thought the demands had not been granted, union officials intimated that an increase would probably be announced soon to go into effect on June 1. During the strike the mills continued in operation with substitute help in the engine rooms.

New Haven, May 11—The annual championship tournament of the Connecticut Women's Golf association will be played at the Shuttle Meadow club, New Britain, on June 3, it was announced here today.